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SUBJECT: SWAZILAND ELECTIONS

REF: MBABANE 0880

1. DURING MARCH 15 DISCUSSION OF HIS PROPOSED IV GRANT, POLICE COMMISSIONER MTETWA CONFIDED TO ME THAT HE COULD NOT LAAVE IN MARCH BECAUSE "ELECTIONS ARE PLANNED BEFORE END OF THE MONTH" OR IN APRIL BECAUSE "A MAJOR RESHUFFLE" IS PLANNED FOR THAT MONTH. HE HAD PREVIOUSLY INFORMED ME THAT VARIOUS OBLIGATIONS RULED OUT HIS ABSENCE FROM COUNTRY FROM MAY TO MID-SEPTEMBER. HE AND I AGREED TO THINK NOW IN TERMS OF GRANT FROM MID-SEPTEMBER TO MID-OCTOBER.

2. RUMORS OF "ELECTIONS," ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEW CONSTITUTION, AND DUMPING OF CERTAIN MINISTERS HAVE CIRCULATED FOR MONTHS. WILL BE INTERESTING TO SEE WHETHER MTETWA IS BETTER INFORMED THAN OTHERS WHO HAVE PRIVATELY PREDICTED ONE OR MORE OF THESE OCCURRENCES IN THE PAST.

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